

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

Please amend claim 3 so that the pending claim set reads as follows:

--1-2. (canceled)

3. (currently amended) A method of providing a wireless communication service to an international roaming mobile station, the method comprising the steps of:

a) registering the international roaming mobile station at a mobile switching center (MSC);

b) determining by the MSC whether a routing request message for the international roaming mobile station is for an international call when the MSC receives the routing request message ~~is received at the MSC~~; and

c) generating an international routing number of the international roaming mobile station by the MSC when the routing request message is for an international call and sending the international routing number.

4. (previously presented) The method of claim 3, further comprising the steps of:

d) assigning a virtual origination number to the international roaming mobile station in the MSC when a call origination request from the international roaming mobile station is received at the MSC; and

e) sending a call connect message having the virtual origination number instead of a calling party number.

5. (original) The method of claim 3, wherein said international routing number includes a temporary local directory number, a country code, and a system operator code.--